



YOUTH CAMP

2022 INFORMATION PACKET

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WELCOME TO YOUTH CAMP

AT WHISKEY MOUNTAIN CONSERVATION CAMP

Youth Camp at Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp offers an overnight camp experience for students ages 14-16. Both the boys camp and girls camp will focus on exploration of nature, introduction to conservation principles, practicing science, and learning new recreational outdoor activities while giving participants experiences to successfully navigate and positively interact with the outdoor environment. These camps led by Wyoming Game & Fish Department staff will allow participants to observe the natural world, engage in wildlife, fish, and habitat biology, and recreate responsibly in the outdoors. Participants will need to bring proper clothing and footwear for outdoor exploration as well as a sleeping bag and other overnight gear. Meals will be provided for the duration of the camp.

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We hope you find the information included in this packet helpful, and please contact us if you have questions in the meantime at

ashley.leonard@wyo.gov / (307) 777-4535

or

parker.everhart@wyo.gov / (307) 777 - 4527

REGISTRATION

Register at: <https://wgfd.wyo.gov/Education/Conservation-Education/Summer-Camps>

Registration fees: \$150 per person

Includes meals and lodging for 5 days / 4 nights.

Please complete a copy of the general liability & medical release form and medical information form found within this informational packet for each registered participant and email it to parker.everhart@wyo.gov prior to June 1.

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COVID-19

We want to make all camp participants aware of the modifications and protocols that may be implemented during our 2022 summer camp programs. Camps will be abiding by the current Governor's recommendations and local variance orders for the safety of participants. These following may be implemented for the safety of participants and staff:

- Masks will be optional
- Camp participants will be asked to wash or sanitize their hands before and after eating, after using the restroom, before and after touching any camp equipment and after each camp activity using restroom sinks or provided hand sanitizer.
- Cots in cabins will be spaced out by 6 ft.
- We will be sanitizing common spaces frequently and cleaning cabins between overnight camp programs.
- We will be screening participants with a brief symptom questionnaire and taking temperatures with no-contact temporal thermometers each day to monitor for COVID-19 symptoms.
- If symptoms are detected or reported by any camp staff or participant, the sick person will be asked to take a provided COVID test and be quarantined in their cabin until results are received. Emergency medical care will be sought if necessary. If necessary, the remainder of the camp may be cancelled with refunds issued. All camp staff and participants who interacted with a participant or staff member who tests positive for COVID-19 will be notified and expected to self-isolate at home in accordance with CDC recommendations.

ARRIVAL AT CAMP

Please plan to arrive at 11:00am on July 12, 2022 (Girls camp) or July 19, 2022 (Boys camp).

Pick up at the end of camp will be at 12:00 pm on July 16, 2022 (Girls camp) or July 23, 2022 (Boys camp).

Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp is located near Trail Lake, approximately ten miles southeast of Dubois, Wyoming. The camp, located on historic bighorn sheep winter range, is situated on Torrey Creek about one mile from the Fitzpatrick Wilderness Trailhead. There is a good possibility of seeing lots of wildlife, such as moose, deer, osprey, and bighorn sheep. The scenery is beautiful, so consider packing binoculars or a camera to capture your amazing surroundings. Included in this packet is a map and directions on how to get to camp. The road into camp is a dirt road, but most passenger vehicles can navigate it without any problems.

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DIRECTIONS TO CAMP

(Map included later in this packet)

Camp is located at 704 Trail Lake Road in Dubois, WY

The camp address is searchable on Google Maps for directions as well.

If you are heading East on U.S. Highway 26/287, 4.3 miles east of Dubois, turn right at Jakey's Fork Rd. If you are arriving from the Lander/Riverton direction, turn left. There is a sign for the fish hatchery and Whiskey Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area. Stay left at the immediate fork after the cattle guard. After approximately four miles, you should see Torrey Lake on your left. Stay on the main road by Ring Lake and Trail Lake. Stay on the main road. Do not make any turns. At approximately 7.6 miles you should be looking at the camp entrance. Parking is on your left once you drive under the entrance. Registration is straight ahead at the screen pavilion on the left.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

There is no cell phone service at camp, and participants are welcome to bring their cell phones to camp but they will be expected to stay put away/in their bags unless they are being used to take photos at appropriate times. There is a land-line available for emergencies. Parents can reach the camp director at parker.everhart@wyo.gov / 307-777-4527

If your child has special dietary concerns, please be sure they are listed in the registration form so that our caterer can accommodate.

The recently renovated cabins that participants will be staying in have running water, heat and indoor toilet facilities including showers. Beds are large cots. Linens, blankets, and pillows are not provided, so you will need to bring your own pillow and sleeping bag or sheets/blankets.



Images of a cabin space including bathroom

WHAT TO PACK

Camp is located in an outdoor setting in mountainous terrain. The weather at camp can vary greatly, from hot and sunny to chilly and raining, occasionally we have even had snow. Come prepared to be outdoors in all kinds of weather. As you know, in Wyoming, the weather changes very quickly. Bring clothes that allow you to dress in layers for both warm and cold conditions...we will continue with our camp activities regardless of the weather unless safety is at risk.

Please come prepared with the following items. Let us know if you have any questions or if you do not have access to any of the items:

- Pillow, sleeping bag, or other bedding to sleep on twin-size cots
- Layers for cool weather (pants, sweatshirts, fleece)
- 4 days-worth of clothing for warm weather
- Raincoat
- Hiking boots or a sturdy pair of closed-toe gym shoes
- Water shoes / sandals that strap to your feet
- Towel and washcloth
- Hats (for sun and for warmth)
- Light jacket, gloves
- Toiletry articles (soap, shampoo, chapstick, lotion, etc.)
- Sunscreen & Mosquito repellent
- Day pack/ backpack for hiking
- At least 2 large water bottles (32 oz. each) or an equivalent hydration pack
- Personal medications
- Flashlight/headlamp
- A wrist watch and/or digital alarm clock
- Swimsuit or other water clothes
- Sunglasses

Other suggested items (not required):

- Camera (digital or phone) & charger
- Binoculars
- Personal fishing gear for use during free time **you will only be permitted to fish under supervision during limited amounts of free time if you bring a valid fishing license & conservation stamp**
- Book or journal

WHAT NOT TO BRING: Our goal is to maintain the utmost safety for every person at the conservation camp. Therefore, if an item seems like it may challenge the safety of any person or property, it should not be brought to camp. Examples include: Pocket or regular knives, lighters, firearms or ammunition, alcohol, illicit or prescription drugs not prescribed to you, tobacco (in any form), fireworks or other explosives.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Subject to change due to weather, staffing, etc.

Day 1- Welcome

11:00am -12:00pm: Campers arrive at Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp;

Welcome/Announcements/Rules/Schedule for the week overview

12:00pm: Lunch

1:00pm - 3:00pm: Icebreakers, team builders, camp tour, field games

3:00pm - 4:00pm: "Who we are and what we do" at Game & Fish

4:00pm-5:30pm: Nature Clubs

5:30pm - 6:00pm: Unpack & settle into assigned cabins

6:00pm - 7:00pm: Dinner & Announcements

7:00pm- 8:00pm: Recreating in bear country + bear spray training

8:00pm - 9:00pm: Intro to birdwatching

9:00 pm: Head back to cabins

Day 2- Habitat & Scientific inquiry

7:00am - 8:00am: Breakfast & Announcements

8:00am - 9:30am: Intro to scientific inquiry projects

9:30am- 10:00am: Get ready to hike & safety briefing

10:00am - 4:00pm: Wyoming habitats inquiry research projects in the field while hiking to Lake Louise in the Fitzpatrick Wilderness (with lunch around noon in the field)

4:00pm-4:30pm: Arrive back from field/break/snacks/regroup

4:30 pm -6:00 pm: Habitat inquiry project data analysis & presentation prep

6:00 pm-7:00 pm: Dinner & Announcements

7:00pm - 8:00pm: Each group gives a presentation on their habitat research project

8:00pm -9:00pm: Wildlife camouflage activity

9:00 pm: Head back to cabins

Day 3- Fish & Wildlife

7:00am - 8:00am: Breakfast & Announcements

8:00am - 9:30am- Tour the Dubois fish hatchery

9:45am- 12:00 pm: Fish & aquatic ecology field experience

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm: Lunch

1:00 pm - 2:00pm: Wildlife ID quiz

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm: Wildlife biology field experience

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm: Fish passage game + Aquatic Invasive Species

5:00 pm- 6:00 pm: Supervised free time for fishing, games, etc.

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm: Dinner & Announcements

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm: Wildlife Forensics + CSI

9:00 pm: Head back to cabins

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE CONTINUED...

Subject to change due to weather, staffing, etc.

Day 4 -Outdoor Recreation

7:00 am - 8:00 am: Breakfast & Announcements

8:00 am - 11:00 pm: Canoeing

11:00am-12:00pm: Meet a Game Warden

12:00pm-1:00pm: Lunch

1:00pm-2:00pm: Population dynamics & Oh Deer game

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm: Flycasting + Archery + Air rifle

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm: Supervised free time for games, fishing, etc.

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm: Dinner & Announcements

7:00 pm - 7:45 pm: Create skits

7:45 pm- 8:15 pm: Perform skits

8:15 pm-9:00 pm: Closing campfire

9:00 pm: Head back to cabins

Day 5 - Wrapping it up

7:00 am - 8:00 am: Breakfast & Group Photo

8:00 am - 9:00 am: clean cabins & common spaces, pack up

9:00 am - 11:00 am: "Amazing Race" competition

11:00am-12:00pm: Mountain/valley/river and surveys

12:00 pm: Pick up campers - sack lunch to-go provided for the road

AREA MAP

Wyoming Game and Fish Department
Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp

TO DUBOIS
(3.7 MILES)

JAKEYS FORK

WIND RIVER

TO CAMP

FISH HATCHERY ROAD

TRAIL LAKE ROAD
(ROAD 411)

26/287

TORREY CREEK

TO LANDER
(71 MILES)

DUBOIS FISH
HATCHERY



MOOSE POND

JULIA LAKE

TORREY LAKE

RING LAKE

TRAIL LAKE

THE WHISKEY MOUNTAIN CONSERVATION
CAMP IS LOCATED 7.5 MILES FROM
HIGHWAY 26/287 ON TRAIL LAKE ROAD
(ROAD 411). TRAIL LAKE ROAD IS 3.7
MILES EAST OF DUBOIS, WYOMING.

Legend



BOAT RAMP



PETROGLYPHS

0 1/2
SCALE IN MILES

TO GLACIER
TRAILHEAD
ABOUT 1 MILE

WHISKEY MOUNTAIN
CONSERVATION CAMP

Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp



WY Game and Fish Conservation Camp

Code of Conduct and Behavior Expectations

The Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD) expects youth participants to behave in an acceptable manner at all times in accordance with the WGFD Behavioral Expectations and the Code of Conduct Policy.

Behavioral Expectations

The WGFD Youth Conservation Camp is designed to provide youth with a positive environment in which to learn and grow. It also provides opportunities for youth to build positive life-skills and conservation ethics. The WGFD supports good character ethics throughout their Youth Camp; Camper expectations are that they will demonstrate Trustworthiness, Respect, and Responsibility while attending Camp to assure that all youth have equal access to a positive learning environment. WGFD staff and volunteers also agree to abide by these expectations of behavior.

As a Youth Conservation Camp Participant, I agree to comply with these standards of behavior:

Standards of Behavior:

- To show respect to self, others, the facility, and the environment.
- To be responsible and accountable for actions & choices towards self and others.
- To share equally in group responsibilities and be fair in all activities.
- To perform equal to your academic ability.
- To not use profane, obscene, or abusive language.
- To possess no weapons of any kind (including knives, lighters, firearms, explosives)
- To abstain from using alcohol, illegal drugs or tobacco in any form.
- To exhibit no violent behavior, chronic misbehavior or actions that result in an unsafe situation.
- To abstain from exclusive relationships or sexual behavior.
- To abstain from chronic or unsafe non-cooperation
- To the appropriate and respectful use of cell phones and digital cameras.

Code of Conduct Policy

If I do not abide by the items named in the Behavioral Expectations, I will experience the following consequences in the order listed:

1. The loss of rights and privileges at the event.
2. Notification of law enforcement as required by the infraction (ie underage possession of alcohol or drugs).
3. Being dismissed from Camp. Notification of my parents/guardians will occur and I will be sent home at my own expense prior to the conclusion of the activity.
4. The possible forfeiture of future participation in WGFD Youth Events. If this step is considered, Camp staff, WGFD supervisors, and the parents/guardians of the involved youth(s) will make input and determination.

Youth name / signature date

parent name / signature date

GENERAL RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND MEDICAL CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR MINOR CHILD

ALL parents/guardians of participants must sign this release.

I hereby certify that I am the adult parent or guardian of _____, a minor child under the age of eighteen years, and I have the authority to execute this General Release of Liability and Medical Consent Agreement for my minor child. I consent to my minor child's participation in the activities at the Camp Wild Program located at the Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp. I agree to release, hold harmless, and waive all claims against the Camp Wild Program, the State of Wyoming, the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission, the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, and their officers, agents, servants, volunteer instructors, and employees ("Released Parties") from any and all liability or cause of action arising out of any personal injury or death, or any damage or loss of property, and any other loss, damage, or expense of any kind arising out of my minor child's participation in the Camp Wild Program. I acknowledge the Released Parties will not be responsible for, nor legally liable for, any damage or loss of property or bodily or personal injury or death suffered in conjunction with any activities associated with the Camp Wild Program, regardless of fault. I further recognize that the Released Parties retain sovereign immunity as provided pursuant to Wyoming law.

I acknowledge that there are inherent risks of physical injury or illness to Camp Wild Program participants, and I agree to assume the full risk for any personal injury or death associated with my minor child's participation in the Camp Wild Program, and I waive and relinquish any and all claims for personal injury or death, or any damage or loss of property, and any other loss, damage, or expense of any kind that my minor child, my insurer, or my minor child's estate may have or which my minor child may have or which may accrue to said child on account of his/her participation in the Camp Wild Program, including but not limited to inherent risks of any sport or recreational opportunity as defined pursuant to the Wyoming Recreation Safety Act, Wyoming Statutes §§ 1-1-121 through 1-1-123.

I consent to my minor child receiving first aid and other emergency medical treatment in the event of an injury or illness incurred during my minor child's participation in the Camp Wild Program, and I waive and relinquish any and all claims for any personal injury or death, or any damage or loss of property, and any other loss, damage, or expense of any kind that I, my insurer, or my minor child's estate may have against the Released Parties arising out of such treatment. I give permission for the Released Parties to seek emergency medical services for my minor child, should he/she become injured or ill during his/her participation in the Camp Wild Program, with the understanding that I am responsible for any expenses incurred. I understand that the Released Parties do NOT provide any medical insurance coverage for minor children participating in the Camp Wild Program.

I further understand and agree that my minor child must abide by the general rules and conduct prescribed for the Camp Wild Program, and that violations may result in a denial of privileges, a forfeiture of all fees paid, and immediate removal from the Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp. **I have read and understood this General Release of Liability and Medical Consent Agreement, and have voluntarily signed this Agreement.**

First Parent/Guardian

Name(printed): _____

First Parent/Guardian's relationship to minor child identified above: _____

First Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Date: _____

Second Parent/Guardian

Name(printed): _____

Second Parent/Guardian's relationship to minor child identified above: _____

Second Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp - Youth Medical Information Form

OVER THE COUNTER MEDICATIONS

Participant may be administered the following medications by camp staff if necessary:

- ☐ Ibuprofen (Advil)
- ☐ naproxen (Aleve)
- ☐ aspirin
- ☐ diphenhydramine (Benadryl)
- ☐ Loratadine (Claritin)
- ☐ acetaminophen (Tylenol)
- ☐ calcium carbonate (Tums)

MEDICAL HISTORY QUESTIONNAIRE

The following information will only be used in case of an emergency and will remain confidential.

Participant name: _____

Participant date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy):

Please list:

Current medications & what they treat	Allergies	Dietary Restrictions	Any other medical conditions

Is asthma a concern? ☐ yes ☐ no

This medical history questionnaire is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. In case of medical emergency, I give my permission for employees of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department to render all possible aid to my child and to get medical treatment at the nearest doctor's office, clinic, or hospital.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: